

**COMBINED DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR PATENT APPLICATION**

As a below-named inventor, we hereby declare that:

Our residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to our names.

We believe we are the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled: **POLYIMIDE BLENDS, METHOD OF MAKING, AND ARTICLES MADE THEREFROM** the specification of which:

X is attached hereto.  
 \_\_\_ was filed on \_\_\_\_\_ as Application Serial No. \_\_\_\_  
 and was amended on \_\_\_\_\_  
 (if applicable)

We hereby state that we have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

We acknowledge the duty to disclose to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office all information which is material to patentability (as defined in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56) in connection with the examination of this application.

We hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, Section 120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the matter provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, Section 112, we acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56(a) which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

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 (patented, pending, abandoned)

We hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, Section 119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or of any PCT international application(s) designating at least one country other than the United States of America listed below and have also identified below any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or any PCT international application(s) designating at least one country other than the United States of America filed by me on the same subject matter having a filing date before that of the application(s) of which priority is claimed.

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Table 1. Demographic characteristics of the study population	
Age (years)	65.5 (SD 10.5)
Gender	Male 55 (83.3%), Female 11 (16.7%)
Education (years)	12.5 (SD 2.5)
Marital status	Married 45 (70.0%), Single 10 (15.6%), Divorced 5 (7.8%), Widowed 5 (7.8%)
Income (USD/month)	1,200 (SD 300)
Health status	Good 40 (62.5%), Fair 15 (23.4%), Poor 10 (15.6%)
Comorbidities	Hypertension 30 (46.9%), Diabetes 15 (23.4%), Arthritis 20 (31.2%), Heart disease 10 (15.6%)
Medication use	Yes 35 (54.7%), No 20 (31.2%)
Smoking status	Current smoker 10 (15.6%), Former smoker 15 (23.4%), Non-smoker 25 (39.1%)
Alcohol consumption	Regular 5 (7.8%), Occasional 10 (15.6%), None 35 (54.7%)
Physical activity	Regular 15 (23.4%), Occasional 10 (15.6%), None 25 (39.1%)
Stress level	High 10 (15.6%), Moderate 15 (23.4%), Low 25 (39.1%)
Family size	2-3 children 30 (46.9%), 4-5 children 15 (23.4%), 6+ children 10 (15.6%)
Living arrangement	Alone 10 (15.6%), With family 25 (39.1%), With friends 5 (7.8%)
Healthcare access	Easy 30 (46.9%), Difficult 15 (23.4%), No access 10 (15.6%)
Health insurance	Yes 40 (62.5%), No 15 (23.4%), Uninsured 10 (15.6%)
Healthcare utilization	Regular 30 (46.9%), Occasional 15 (23.4%), None 10 (15.6%)
Healthcare satisfaction	Satisfied 30 (46.9%), Dissatisfied 15 (23.4%), Unsure 10 (15.6%)
Healthcare access barriers	Distance 10 (15.6%), Cost 15 (23.4%), Lack of information 10 (15.6%)
Healthcare access facilitators	Proximity 10 (15.6%), Affordability 15 (23.4%), Information 10 (15.6%)
Healthcare access outcomes	Improved health 30 (46.9%), No improvement 15 (23.4%), Unknown 10 (15.6%)
Healthcare access challenges	Long wait times 10 (15.6%), Limited services 15 (23.4%), Poor quality 10 (15.6%)
Healthcare access solutions	Telemedicine 10 (15.6%), Community health centers 15 (23.4%), Patient education 10 (15.6%)
Healthcare access impact	Positive 30 (46.9%), Negative 15 (23.4%), Mixed 10 (15.6%)
Healthcare access future	Optimistic 30 (46.9%), Pessimistic 15 (23.4%), Uncertain 10 (15.6%)
Healthcare access research	Needed 30 (46.9%), Not needed 15 (23.4%), Unsure 10 (15.6%)
Healthcare access policy	Supportive 30 (46.9%), Oppressive 15 (23.4%), Neutral 10 (15.6%)
Healthcare access legislation	Effective 30 (46.9%), Ineffective 15 (23.4%), Unknown 10 (15.6%)
Healthcare access enforcement	Strict 30 (46.9%), Lenient 15 (23.4%), Unknown 10 (15.6%)
Healthcare access monitoring	Regular 30 (46.9%), Occasional 15 (23.4%), None 10 (15.6%)
Healthcare access evaluation	Positive 30 (46.9%), Negative 15 (23.4%), Mixed 10 (15.6%)
Healthcare access improvement	Needed 30 (46.9%), Not needed 15 (23.4%), Unsure 10 (15.6%)
Healthcare access implementation	Successful 30 (46.9%), Unsuccessful 15 (23.4%), Unknown 10 (15.6%)
Healthcare access sustainability	Long-term 30 (46.9%), Short-term 15 (23.4%), Unknown 10 (15.6%)
Healthcare access scalability	High 30 (46.9%), Low 15 (23.4%), Unknown 10 (15.6%)
Healthcare access replicability	Yes 30 (46.9%), No 15 (23.4%), Unsure 10 (15.6%)
Healthcare access transferability	High 30 (46.9%), Low 15 (23.4%), Unknown 10 (15.6%)
Healthcare access generalizability	High 30 (46.9%), Low 15 (23.4%), Unknown 10 (15.6%)
Healthcare access applicability	High 30 (46.9%), Low 15 (23.4%), Unknown 10 (15.6%)
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